

Domestic Relations Committee
Judicial Conference of Indiana

Minutes
April 16, 2004

The Domestic Relations Committee met at the Indiana Judicial Center in Indianapolis, Indiana on Friday, April 16, 2004 from 10:30 – 3:00 p.m.

1. Members present. David Bonfiglio, Mary Margaret Lloyd, Roderick D. McGillivray, Robyn L. Moberly, Richard G. Striegel, and Michael P. Scopelitis, Chair.
2. Staff present. Jeffrey Bercovitz provided the committee with staff assistance.
3. Guests present. Lindsey Holloway, Division of State Court Administration was present.
4. Minutes approved. The minutes from March 19, 2004 were approved.
5. Child Support Guidelines. Lindsey Holloway reviewed the downloadable child support calculator with committee members. Committee members revised various forms and procedures on the calculator. Lindsey reported the expected launch the week of April 26th.
6. Domestic Relations Benchbook.
 - a. Committee members agreed to compare differently drafted portions of Part III. B., the “Provisional Orders” portion of the Domestic Relations Benchbook to make a “template” for all sections. Committee members agreed to prepare a draft for the May meeting any information they would want to know as a judge including, but not limited to, procedures, cases, court rules and statutes. The following portions were assigned **in connection with provisional orders:**
 1. Custody Judge Ault and Judge Bonfiglio
 2. Visitation
 3. Intro to Provisional Orders, Support, and Modification Judge Scopelitis and Mag. Chapleau
 4. Property Judge Felts and Judge LaViolette
 5. Debts
 6. Temporary Maintenance Judge Lloyd and Judge Meier
 7. Family Violence Issues
 8. Attorney fees and other litigation expenses Judge South and Judge Striegel
 9. Temporary Restraining Orders Judge McGillivray and Judge Moberly
 10. Emergency Custody Requests and relationship between them

7. Next meeting. Committee members agreed to meet again on the following dates: May 21, July 16, August 20, October 15, November 19, and January 21, 2005 from 10:30 to 4:00 p.m. at the Indiana Judicial Center.

Respectfully submitted,

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